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Via ECFS

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: Emergency Petition of Allband Communications Cooperative for Interim Partial Waiver of Part 54.302 Rule and for Increased Per-Line Support WC Docket No. 10-90, et al.

Notice of *Ex Parte*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 4 and 5, Ron Siegel of Allband Communications Cooperative ("Allband" or the "Cooperative"), and John Kuykendall, Cassandra Heyne and Christine Duncan of JSI (collectively, the "Allband Representatives") met via conference call with the following wireline legal advisors to discuss the status of the Cooperative's Emergency Petition for Interim Partial Waiver of the Part 54.302 Rule and for Increased Per-Line Support, filed on January 12, 2017: Claude Aiken of Commissioner Mignon Clyburn's office, Jamie Susskind of Commissioner Brendan Carr's office, Amy Bender of Commissioner Michael O'Rielly's office and Travis Litman of Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel's office. John Kuykendall of JSI also met via conference call with Jay Schwarz of Chairman Pai's office to discuss the status.

On the calls, the Allband Representatives reiterated the urgency of the matter as the Cooperative is experiencing considerable financial strain as it waits for the resolution of its Petition.

¹ See Letter from John Kuykendall, Vice President, JSI, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Notice of Ex Parte, WC Docket No. 10-90 et al., (Feb. 13, 2017).

² On October 2, the Allband Representatives held a call with Nathan Eagan of Commissioner Brendan Carr's office to discuss the status; however, Mr. Eagan was subsequently transitioned back to the Wireline Competition Bureau. A second meeting was then held with Ms. Susskind to discuss the status.

Please direct any questions regarding the filing to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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